

FIREMEN WAIT ON RESEARCH BUREAU

Forthcoming Report on Municipal Salary Standardization Causes Concern

GAIN IN COMPARISON

Flame Fighters Think Their Dangers and Hours Should Be Determining Factors

Firemen of Philadelphia are awaiting with great concern the forthcoming report on standardization of salaries paid to city employees.

The firemen hold the opinion that there is no valid reason why a messenger, for instance, who enjoys a working day of six hours with Saturday half holidays throughout the year and every holiday off duty, should enjoy a higher salary than the men in Chief Murphy's bureau, who, with the exception of meal hours, get no time off duty except every sixth day.

This feeling, the men in the Fire Bureau believe, is being shared by their friends in City Council and receiving attention by Chairman Coffey, of the Finance Committee, lead them to hope that similar views are held by him and his associates.

A fair readjustment of municipal salaries, the firemen say, would fall in its purpose, if they were passed over, in view of the salaries paid for similar services in other cities, many of which are smaller than Philadelphia.

Their patience, in the face of frequent rebuffs, the firemen also hold, entitles them to favorable action at this time, when the equitable adjustment of the municipal payroll is one of the chief questions taken up by the administration.

One-third of the membership of the bureau has been replaced during the last few years, and the difficulty in obtaining new men of the right type for the duty is made greater by the better inducements offered elsewhere to the peace-seeker.

In the matter of pay the New York hose or ladderman receives \$150 yearly, against \$110 in Philadelphia for double dangerous work. Appreciation of this service, exemplified by the petitions poured in upon the Mayor and Councils by property owners and others, the firemen hope, will result in the municipal legislators and the report of the Bureau of Municipal Research in their favor.

Dr. Walter Riddle suffering from Nervous Breakdown—Pittsburgher on Way to Recovery

Dr. Walter Riddle, prominent in the research work at Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, college classmate and friend of Harry K. Thaw, who came to Philadelphia as a representative of the Thaw family a few days after Thaw's attempt at suicide, is now also a patient at St. Mary's Hospital, where Thaw is being cared for.

Dr. Riddle had his headquarters at the Bellevue-Stratford, and visited his friend every day at the hospital to cheer him. He made the trip through all kinds of weather and remained long at the bedside each day. Yesterday he showed the effects of a severe cold and placed himself under the care of Dr. Ellwood Kirby, the physician in charge of Harry Thaw. He is in bed today in a private room at St. Mary's, not far from Thaw's room. Dr. Kirby said he is suffering from complete exhaustion and a mild form of nervous prostration, which should be cured by a short but complete rest.

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Fire Razes Building in Heart of Reading

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The flames continued to spread to the upper floors.

Just where the fire originated is a mystery, the first spectators on the scene declaring that the entire building seemed to be flame-ridden simultaneously.

In the rear of the burning structure on Court street are located the offices of several attorneys, and when it became evident that these buildings too might suffer, office attendants quickly removed the valuable law libraries.

Thomas C. Ruth, one of the assistant fire chiefs, sustained a deep cut on the hand by falling glass.

Joseph Stanahan, a member of the Friendship Fire Company, was seriously injured by falling from a roof in the rear of the building.

For many years the old academy was one of the leading theatres in Pennsylvania. It was opened October 1, 1872, and was used as a theatre until 1884, when the present Academy of Music was opened on North Sixth street.

The leading celebrities of the theatrical world of days gone by appeared at the academy.

State's Apples Lead at Harrisburg Show

Better Than Those From Western States, Experts Say. Honey Production Up

HARRISBURG, Jan. 23.—Pennsylvania apples on exhibit here in connection with the conventions of the allied agricultural interests of the State are superior in appearance and flavor to any of those shipped from the Western apple States, in the opinion of experts here for the show.

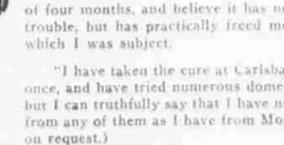
Sixty boys of rural community vocational schools from all parts of the State, brought here at the expense of boards of trade and chambers of commerce, are engaged in a corn-judging contest.

H. C. Klinger, of Liverpool, delivered the opening address before the State Board of Agriculture today. It was on honey production in Pennsylvania. The honey bee in Pennsylvania is worth \$1,400,000, according to the statistics just announced by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

1000 Strikers Tie Up Colliery

TRIVOLI, Pa., Jan. 23.—The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company's North Franklin colliery was tied up today, 1000 employees going on strike to compel a number of workmen to be in good standing in the ranks of the United Mine Workers of America.

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PROGRESSIVES LAUNCH SPEAKERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Gardner Leads Fight, as Roosevelt Spokesman, Against Congressman Mann

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The struggle between the Progressives and the Old Guard for control and a constructive legislative program is one of the recent fights in the Republican National Committee will begin in the conference of Republican members of the House tonight.

The conference was forced upon the Republicans by the activity of Representative Gardner, of Massachusetts, who had conferred with Colonel Roosevelt as to policies necessary to reform the Republican party in the public's estimation.

The activity of Representative Gardner in that bringing Representative Gardner, of Wisconsin, as a candidate for Speaker against Representative Mann, immediately plunged the two factions into rivalry, with the result that neither side is any too willing to concede anything to the other.

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WILSON SPEECH PLEASURES TAFT

Head of League to Enforce Peace Impressed by President's Views

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—At the office of the League to Enforce Peace it was said that the League possibly would have no statement to give out for several days.

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Judge Charles P. Rooney Won't Commit Himself on Bill for Salary Boost

When questioned as to his opinion about Senator Penrose's plan to abolish the magistrates' system in Philadelphia, Charles P. Rooney, for sixteen years a Magistrate, started the day in his office, 1510 Sansom street, by dropping a graceful tribute to the gentlemen to fill magistratal positions in this city.

"It's a wonder," said Rooney, "that half the Magistrates and constables in this town aren't in jail."

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Bellefonte Troops Mustered Out

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